

REMARKS:

Claims 1-4 are pending in the application. In the Office Action dated January 9, 2006, the Examiner objected to the abstract, rejected claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Takahashi, rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Tiemann et al., and objected to claims 3 and 4 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but containing allowable subject matter.

In this amendment, the word "means" was deleted from the abstract. Claim 1 was amended to include the subject matter of original claims 2 and 3 and for clarity ("is composed of" was amended to read "comprises"). Claims 2 and 3 were canceled. Claim 4 was amended to depend from claim 1 rather than canceled claim 2, and for clarity.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Authorization is granted to charge any outstanding fees due at this time for the continued prosecution of this matter to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (matter no. 060945-0152).

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